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FREAR ENGAGED AS COUNSEL FOR RAPID TRANSIT

Will Be Associated With Castle & Withington In Defending Territory's Suit

AS GOVERNOR HE FOUGHT ORIGINAL FRANCHISE BILL

Won Concessions and Finally Favored Measure Which Went to Congress

Walter F. Frear, former governor of the territory, has been engaged to act as associate counsel, with Castle & Withington, on behalf of the Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Company, in the suit filed yesterday in the name of the attorney-general for an injunction against any further stock issuance by the street railway company.

Mr. Frear, while governor, fought the company's original application for an extension of its charter on the ground that it was not advantageous to the territory, and after a long and now historic conflict obtained the concessions and terms embodied in the franchise bill of two years ago, which, to become operative would have had to be approved by Congress by midnight of last Thursday.

Congressional approval not being forthcoming within the time limit, Attorney-general Steinback yesterday started suit, asking for a permanent injunction to restrain the company from carrying out an alleged proposal to increase capital stock from the \$1,297,500 par value, now outstanding, to \$1,600,000.

The company's present franchise, which still has 10 years to run, stipulates that no increase in capital stock shall be made in excess of \$300,000 unless the proposed increase, taken with the existing issues, shall represent only the actual cost of the company's property and not more than 25 per cent of such cost in addition.

In the suit started by the attorney-general it is asserted that the company has "wasted" its stock to avoid paying a portion of its profits to the government, and that the value of the property is now only \$785,407.

Under the new franchise, the company has engaged Judge Frear to advise on contracts made in the course of the case. Frear, however, favors the franchise bill which has been before Congress. He speaks for it in Honolulu and later in Washington. This bill, as those who were in Honolulu two years ago will remember, represents the compromise reached by the governor, the Rapid Transit Company and the Merchants' Association, the latter having interested itself in the franchise discussion as a matter of public concern.

Mr. Frear, a governor that Frear favored the franchise bill of 1913, and it was a governor that he appealed on its behalf before a congressional committee. Since that time he has come into private practice and now appears as an attorney for the company.

QUAKES FELT IN EUROPE; MAY BE IN JAPAN

LONDON, Eng., May 1.—Earthquake shocks have been recorded here, the indications being that the disturbances were in Japan.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—Unknown source earthquake shocks are reported from Holland.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP BEING LAUNCHED HITS LIGHTER; THREE DEAD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) BORDEAUX, France, May 1.—Three persons were killed today when the new French battleship Languedoc was launched at the navy yards here. One of the lighters got in the path of the huge new sea fighter as she slid down the ways and was crushed by the impact. Three passengers on the lighter were killed in the smash-up.

BISHOPS WOULD PATCH UP METHODIST SPLIT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) DES MOINES, Iowa, May 1.—The bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, in convention here, today gave a favorable reception to overtures for church unity made by the Methodist Episcopal Church South. A break of years' standing is likely to be closed.

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—Sugar, 96 degrees test, 4.827 cents. Previous quotation, 4.83 cents.

MONUMENTS

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SUGAR SAYS FED TRADE COMMISSION O.K.

W. L. Petrie, Denver, Vice President of Concern, Laundry

SAYS FTI CONFERENCE ATTEGRATIFYING

"Some friends suspicious, but good assistance," declares

[Special wire correspondence] WASHINGTON, May 1.—"If business has to trouble those who are most concerned with me to the Federal Trade Commission, and I believe that the outcome will be satisfactory to business, the government and to all people."

This is what was made today by W. L. Petrie, Denver, vice-president of the Western Sugar Company which operates elevators in beet sugar plants in Colorado, Montana, Idaho, and Nevada, and who is Washington representative of the Federal Trade Commission in regard to the affairs of his company.

"Some of my friends are suspicious," says Mr. Petrie, "but we disposed to believe that our satisfactory could be accomplished by negotiations with the commission. It was largely against them that I had a conference today with members of the commission on a matter which is of much importance to my company and less to many other large companies. The nature of it I am not able to disclose at this time. I am pleased, however, that I found the members of the commission most conciliatory, fully willing to assist business rather than to aid and oppose it. I was greatly impressed by their attitude, and I hope to make a statement to correspondents in some quarters which seems to have been made in confidence. I am not prepared to act with business I found the

commissioners quite reasonable in their attitude and willing to cooperate in finding a solution on the part of the commission to cooperate with us."

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Japan Yields Tsingtau, Says Unconfirmed Report

Associated Press Despatches Today Do Not Confirm Local Chinese Get Appeal From Countrymen in America With Details of Plan For Organizing 1400 Students Into Vital Force, Resisting Demands Made By Japan

Conflicting reports by cable and wireless reached Honolulu today regarding the China-Japanese situation.

Japanese newspapers here received word from their Tokio correspondents that Japan has decided to make a big concession, yielding Tsingtau to China.

The Associated Press does not confirm this report. The Associated Press despatch today says:

PEKING, China, May 1.—China has definitely refused some of the most important Japanese demands. Hearing of the Chinese decision, Japanese Minister Hioki said: "I am sorry, I believe my government will be disappointed."

The Chinese reply, in the shape of a formal note, announces the rejection of the entire Group V of the demands. Meanwhile a new feature has been added to the local situation. By mail from San Francisco yesterday leaders of the Chinese Students' Alliance received news of a big movement to organize 1400 Chinese students into a force that will aid in resisting the Japanese demands.

The Nippon Jiji received the following telegram late yesterday and one almost similar was received by the Chinese Jiji:

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CHINA'S MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHO DEALS WITH DEMANDS

WHOLESALE MEAT PRICE UP A CENT; RETAILERS NEXT

Dealers at Fish Market Say Raise By Hawaii Meat Co. Affects Them

REDUCTION IN MARCH DIDN'T CONTINUE LONG

Drought on Kona Coast of Hawaii Cuts Down Visible Supply of Beef Materially

Retail meat dealers of Honolulu have been informed that the wholesale price of beef is advanced 1 cent per pound, effective today and throughout the trade. As a consequence the high roof of the fishmarket resounded this morning with protests and imprecations uttered in half a dozen tongues.

The wholesalers have given as their reason for the advance that the "visible supply" of beef is such as to forecast a limited output. Droughts in the Kona district of Hawaii are said to have cut the pasture short and thus immediately affected the grazing herds.

A few weeks ago the price was reduced from 12 cents per pound to 11 cents and the public was happy about it. The reduced price has proved short-lived, and wholesalers will make no predictions as to when the beef output will be sufficient to justify another reduction. They point out that their Hawaiian herds have suf-

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ALL READY FOR PRINCIPAL FOR CONFIRMATION DAY OF HOSPITALITY

Hawaii Will Greet Big Congressional Party Next Monday Morning

The most important congressional party that ever visited the Pacific will arrive in Honolulu next Monday morning. The Ocean liner Sierra, carrying about 140 congressmen and their wives and other distinguished guests, will be off port about 8 o'clock and should dock by 10.

The Sierra is about two hours late but may make up this time and arrive earlier.

Reception committees galore await coming of these official and semi-official guests of Hawaii. They will be decked with leis, dined and quenched and received, whirled around and across the islands and even seventeen strenuous days of entertainment.

Hawaii is going to break all records for hospitality, from present prospects.

At dawn Monday morning Honolulu will be getting ready to greet the visitors. The honorary reception committee has been instructed to meet the steamer at the Oceanic wharf promptly at 7 o'clock.

The general committee and John C. Lane, mayor of Honolulu, will take the boarding launch at the foot of Fort street at 8 a.m. and meet the steamer outside. A committee of young ladies will go out to the steamer bearing leis with which to decorate the visitors. The honorary reception committee will meet the steamer at the Oceanic wharf. Motor cars will take the members of the party direct to the Moana hotel at Waikiki.

Afternoon: Surfing, canoeing and bathing at Waikiki beach.

Evening: Public reception by

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GOVERNOR INVITES ALL TO BIG RECEPTION AND BALL MONDAY EVENING

The Governor of Hawaii cordially invites the citizens and public to meet the visiting United States Senators and Representatives and party at a Reception in the Throne Room of the Capitol Building on Monday evening, May third, at eight o'clock.

National Guard Armory at eight-thirty o'clock.

All the men are well known to the other Suddly and Davis would reveal their names. They claim to have been associated

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WOMAN ABOARD VENTURA TAKEN SMUGGLING GEMS

Associated Press by Federal Wireless

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 1.—Mrs. B. J. Francis, a passenger from Sydney aboard the steamer Ventura, was arrested here today, charged with smuggling jewels valued at \$18,500 in the hem of her skirt.

FIND TYPHUS FEVER ON STEAMER FROM GREECE

Associated Press by Federal Wireless

NEW YORK, May 1.—The first case of typhus fever to reach this port since the outbreak of the epidemic in the Balkans and other parts of the war zone of Europe, was discovered today on the Greek steamer Christoforos which has been put into rigid quarantine.

The third engineer of the Christoforos was found to have the disease

and scourge.

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AMERICANS WARNED NOT TO TRAVEL ON SHIPS OF ALLIES

WHOLESALE MEAT PRICE UP A CENT; RETAILERS NEXT

GERMAN NOTIFICATION MAY FORESHADOW NEW PLAN OF CAMPAIGN BY SUBMARINES

TEUTON UNDER-SEA TERRORS CONTINUE TO EXACT TOLL OF ENEMIES—DUNKIRK DAMAGED BY SHELLS AND BRITISH AVIATORS RETALIATE WITH BOMBS—ALLIES DEVELOPING ATTACK ON THE DARDANELLES FORTS

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless]

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—Minister Henry Van Dyke to The Netherlands reports that notices have been published in important cities notifying Americans that if they travel on ships flying the flags of Germany's enemies, they do so at their own risk.

This warning is believed to foreshadow increased activity by German submarines, and possibly concerns the movements of the German North Sea fleet.

Allies Gradually Cutting off Turks on Gallipoli Peninsula

LONDON, England, May 1.—According to an unofficial description of the Allies' plan of campaign being developed at the Gallipoli peninsula, the peninsula is being gradually severed by the Allies.

It is reported to be now impossible for the Turkish troops to pass back and forth.

Congress of Women To Demand Immediate Cessation of War

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, May 1.—The International Congress of Women today adopted a proposal to send delegations representing the Congress to President Wilson and the heads of all European powers, demanding an immediate cessation of the war.

Switzerland Decides to Call Sixth Division of the Army

BERNE, Switzerland, May 1.—The Federal Council of Switzerland, in view of the situation, has decided to call out the sixth division of the Swiss army.

Bombardment of Dunkirk Severe

FOLKESTONE, England, May 1.—Refugees arriving here from Dunkirk, across the Channel, report that shells from German 17-inch guns fell for ten minutes in the city. Considerable damage was done.

Women and children are leaving rapidly and there is much alarm.

British Aviators Assail Enemy

LONDON, England, May 1.—British aviators have attacked the German batteries which have been shelling Dunkirk with much effect. The damage done by the British bombs dropped on the batteries is not known.

British Battleship Is Damaged

The congress concluded its sessions today.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, May 1.—The 12,000-ton British battleship Vengeance has been damaged in the Dardanelles bombardment.

Germans Claim Successes In Pomerania

BERLIN, Germany, May 1.—The Germans have vantage of several battles in Poland. A total of 120,000 men have been captured in the vicinity of Suwalki.

Russian Steamer Sunk

LONDON, England, May 1.—The Russian steamer Archangel, carrying coal from Archangel off the Irish coast. The crew were picked up to the trai

the future!

U. S. Steamer Custer Ager

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—To The Netherlands, report two German bombs were

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